

03500.018188

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
	:	Examiner: Unassigned
TAKEHIKO KAWASAKI ET AL.)	
	:	Group Art Unit: 2856
Application No.: 10/559,532)	
	:	Confirmation No.: 1278
Filed: December 2, 2005)	
	:	
For: SHEET MATERIAL IDENTIFYING)	February 27, 2007
APPARATUS, SHEET MATERIAL TREAT-	:	
ING APPARATUS AND SHEET MATERIAL)	
IDENTIFYING METHOD	:	

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449.

It is respectfully requested that the cited information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be initialed and returned indicating that such information has been considered.

The present Information Disclosure Statement is being filed prior to the mailing of a first Official Action on the merits. Accordingly, Applicants believe that no fee is necessitated by the filing of this paper. Nevertheless, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee necessitated by the filing of this paper to Deposit Account No. 06-1205.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,

/Lawrence A. Stahl/

Lawrence A. Stahl
Attorney for Applicants
Registration No. 30,110

FITZPATRICK, CELLA, HARPER & SCINTO
30 Rockefeller Plaza
New York, New York 10112-3800
Facsimile: (212) 218-2200

LAS:eyw

FORM PTO 1449 (modified) U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE LIST OF REFERENCES CITED BY APPLICANT(S) (Use several sheets if necessary) Date submitted to PTO: February 27, 2007				ATTY DOCKET NO. 03500.018188		APPLICATION NO. 10/559,532	
				APPLICANT TAKEHIKO KAWASAKI ET AL.			
				FILING DATE December 2, 2005		GROUP 2856	

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS							
*EXAMINER INITIAL		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE
		2006/0016996	01/26/2006	Kaneko et al.	250	339.1	12/26/2003
		2006/0054842	03/16/2006	Kawasaki et al.	250	559.04	12/26/2003
		2006/0275045	12/07/2006	Kawasaki et al.	399	45	05/30/2006
		7,152,861	12/26/2006	Kawasaki	271	262	

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS							
		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	TRANSLATION YES/NO/ OR ABSTRACT

OTHER DOCUMENT(S) (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)		

EXAMINER	DATE CONSIDERED
----------	-----------------

*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609; Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.